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In re application of:

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For: KV6.2, A VOLTAGE-GATED
POTASSIUM CHANNEL SUBUNIT

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed September 21, 2006, Applicant elects Group II, claims 11-15, drawn to isolated potassium channel polypeptide. Applicants further elect the single nucleic acid sequence SEQ ID NO;18, representing human Kv6.2.

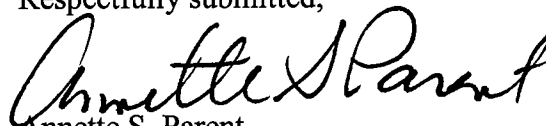
The foregoing election is made with traverse, as the eight groups set forth by the Examiner all stem from a common concept and theory, and are thus related. As such, prosecution of the claims of Groups I-VIII would not place a substantially greater burden on the Examiner. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the Restriction Requirement and consider all the claims together.

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If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 925-472-5000.

Respectfully submitted,

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